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Staff Coordination on Portland Harbor Projects with USACE Permits

June 24, 2015

Via phone conference

Overarching goals:

1. Interagency information sharing on project-specific permit process and technical aspects;
2. readying applicants to submit complete applications for timely processing;
3. on-going interagency and applicant conferring as projects move forward or change;
4. development of sideboards, impact type batches, and standard conditions or performance measures to apply for consistency and workload balance; and
5. smoothing the path for in-water remediation requirements/conditions that are consistent with past/current permits.

Given that we had no applicant presentations scheduled and had recently coordinated on finalizing the applicant help tools package, we elected to hold a sort check-in meeting via phone. Participants were: Alex, Genevieve and Michael.

We began at 1:40 pm by discussing the remaining details of finalizing and posting the tools package on the USACE website.

- Michael is meeting this afternoon with management to assign staff to wrap up the posting of the package on the USACE website.

We then discussed Jaimee Davis stepping in as Acting Branch Chief (following Bill Abadie) and that Keith Johnson wouldn't be able to make the manager level meeting next month. We agreed that a short summary of our work since the last manager update, in lieu of the meeting, would be adequate.

We next discussed 404/CERCLA coordination:

- Shore Terminals piling replacement project – 401 WQC may need PN – USACE may issue a letter of intent to issue permit to indicate they are moving forward as applicant is anxious.
- PGE RM 13 cap – applicant and NMFS revisiting turbidity requirements in BO due to Portland Spirit proximity – Alex will forward EPA comments on turbidity (401 is programmatic).

The status of other projects on the tracking list we discussed included:

- Gunderson – Alex is new DEQ PM – USACE spoke with consultant who is still working on info requested by NMFS – concerned with fate of mitigation when permanent remedy implemented – we discussed other options for mitigation outside of likely remedy area and potential to still permit bank work this year (per DEQ order) with delayed mitigation implementation - Michael will relay info and update us as info is submitted.
- Port of Portland OU2 (bankwork at Shipyard) – DEQ PM sent applicant info about PH permits coord process and requested they get on the calendar to present a concept.
- Portland Manufactured Gas – Alex will reconnect with applicant as to July presentation.
- Centennial Mills – USACE process wrapping up.
- Vigor – Dredging permit nearing completion. Stormwater compliance issues.

Michael will be in training during our regular July meeting and Genevieve will be on vacation during our regular July & Aug meetings. Alex will reschedule July if PGM will present or cancel and reschedule Aug. We adjourned 2:15 pm.